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Mr. Mike Fowles
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Pittsburgh District
Conemaugh River Lake
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Dear Mr. Fowles:

On June 16-23, 1999, Rod Whiteman of my staff conducted aerial detection surveys for gypsy moth-caused tree defoliation at 15 U.S. Army Corps of Engineers projects located within the Pittsburgh District. I am pleased to report that no defoliation was detected at, or in the vicinity of, Conemaugh River Lake, Crooked Creek Lake, East Branch Lake, Kinzua Dam, Loyalhanna Lake, Mahoning Creek Lake, Shenango River Lake, Tionesta Lake, Tygart Lake, Union City Reservoir and Youghiogheny River Lake.

At Berlin Lake, less than 1 acre of heavy defoliation (61-100 percent) was detected on Corps property while 75 acres of heavy defoliation were detected on adjacent lands were detected (Figure 1).

At Michael J Kirwan Dam, approximately 2 acres of moderate defoliation (31-60 percent) were detected near Corps property (Figure 2).

At Mosquito Creek Lake, approximately 158 acres of moderate defoliation and 86 acres of heavy defoliation were detected on Corps property while 174 acres of moderate defoliation and 353 acres of heavy defoliation were detected on adjacent lands (Figure 3).

At Woodcock Creek Lake, approximately 2 acres of discolored/declining pine were detected on site (Figure 4).

If you anticipate requesting either financial or technical assistance for gypsy moth control in 2000, please contact Brad Onken or Rod by letter or telephone (304) 285-1541 before August 27, 1999.

Please contact Rod at the above number if you have any questions regarding this aerial survey letter.

Sincerely,

JOHN W. HAZEL
Field Representative
Morgantown Field Office

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Enclosures

cc: Pete O'Connell, Berlin Lake
Dave Bishop, Conemaugh River Lake and Loyalhanna Lake
Paul Toman, Crooked Creek Lake
Gary Froelich, East Branch Lake
Chris Moseback, Kinzua Dam
Bill Alex, Mahoning Creek Lake and Tionesta Lake
Leo Summers, Michael J. Kirwan Dam and Mosquito Creek Lake
Mike Cummings, Shenango River Lake
Rich Miller, Tygart Lake
Edward Schwendt, Union City Reservoir and Woodcock Creek Lake
Clyde Braun, Youghiogheny River Lake
Robert Tichenor, MDA
Dave Cohen, MDA
John Day, ODA
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Figure 1. -- Gypsy moth defoliation survey results at Berlin Lake, June 23, 1999.

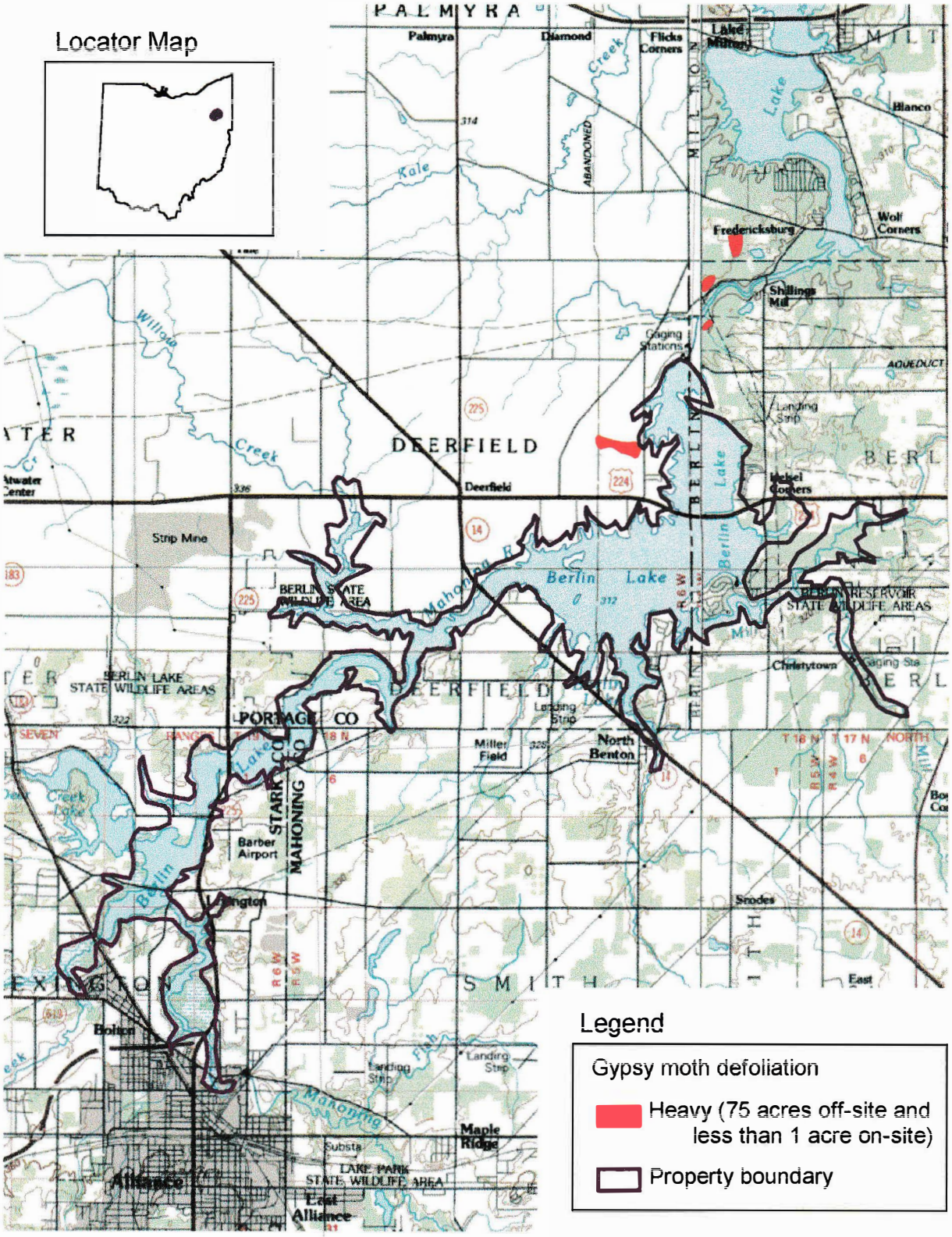

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Figure 2. -- Gypsy moth defoliation survey results at
Michael J. Kirwan Dam, June 23, 1999.

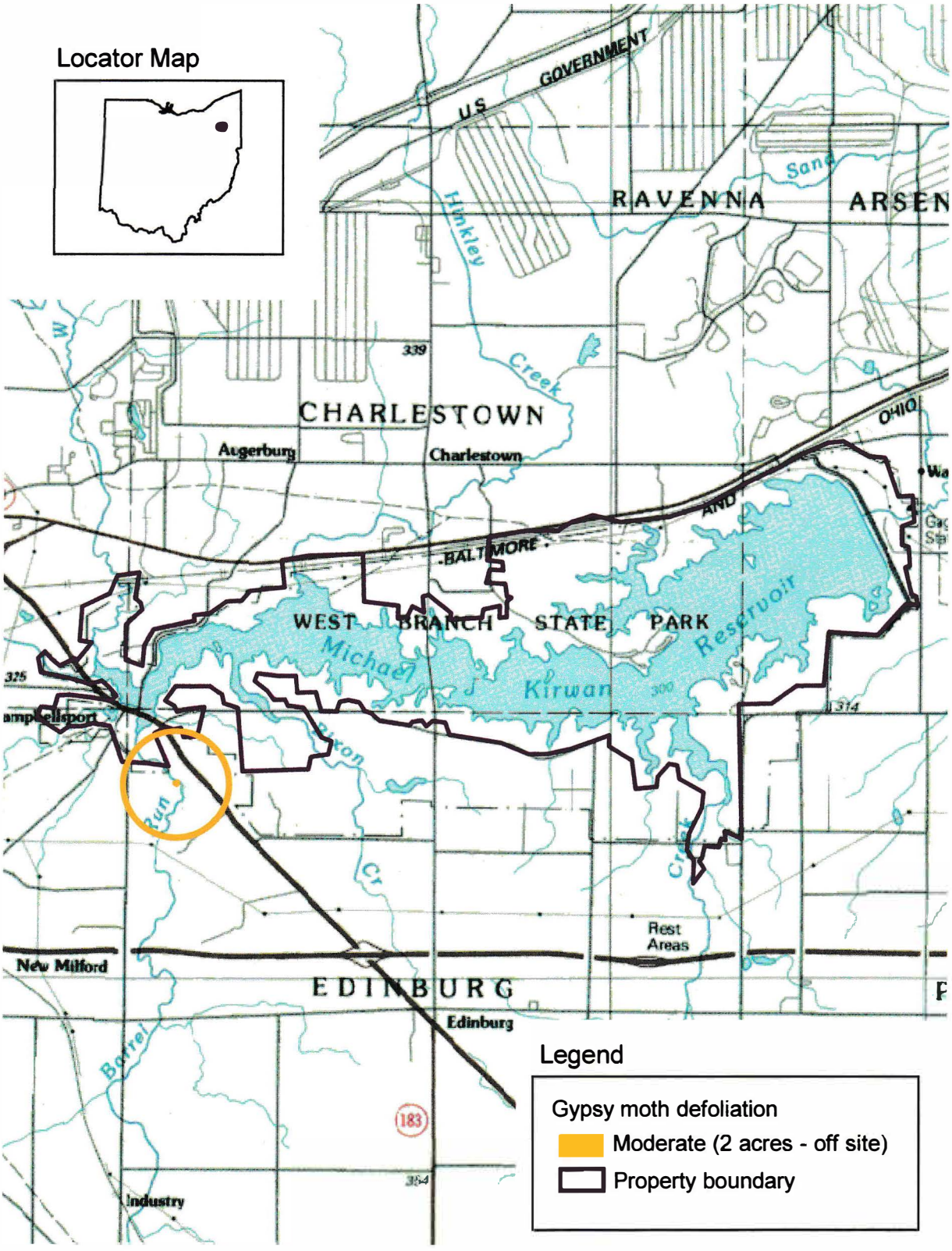

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Figure 3. -- Gypsy moth defoliation survey results at Mosquito Creek Lake, June 23, 1999.

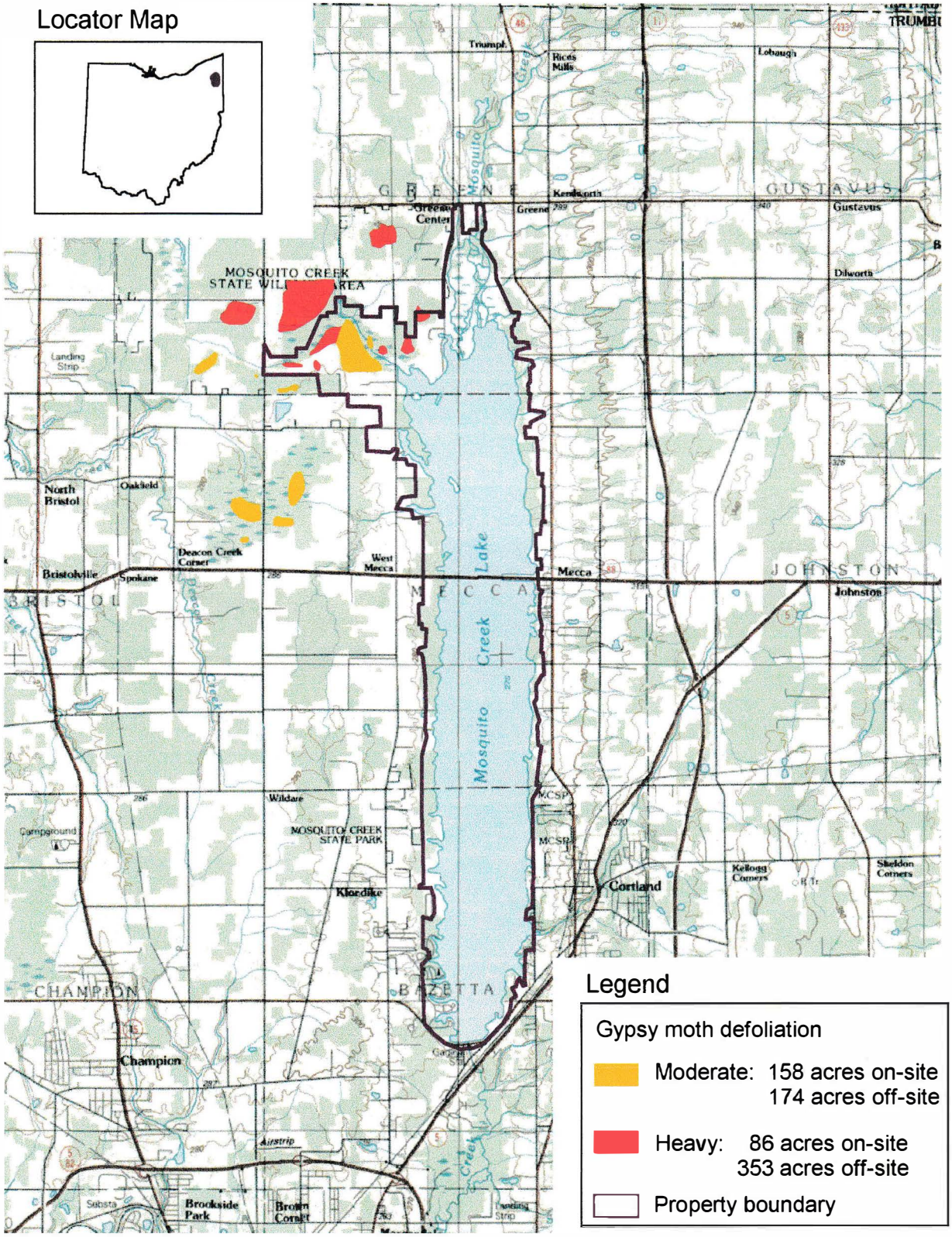

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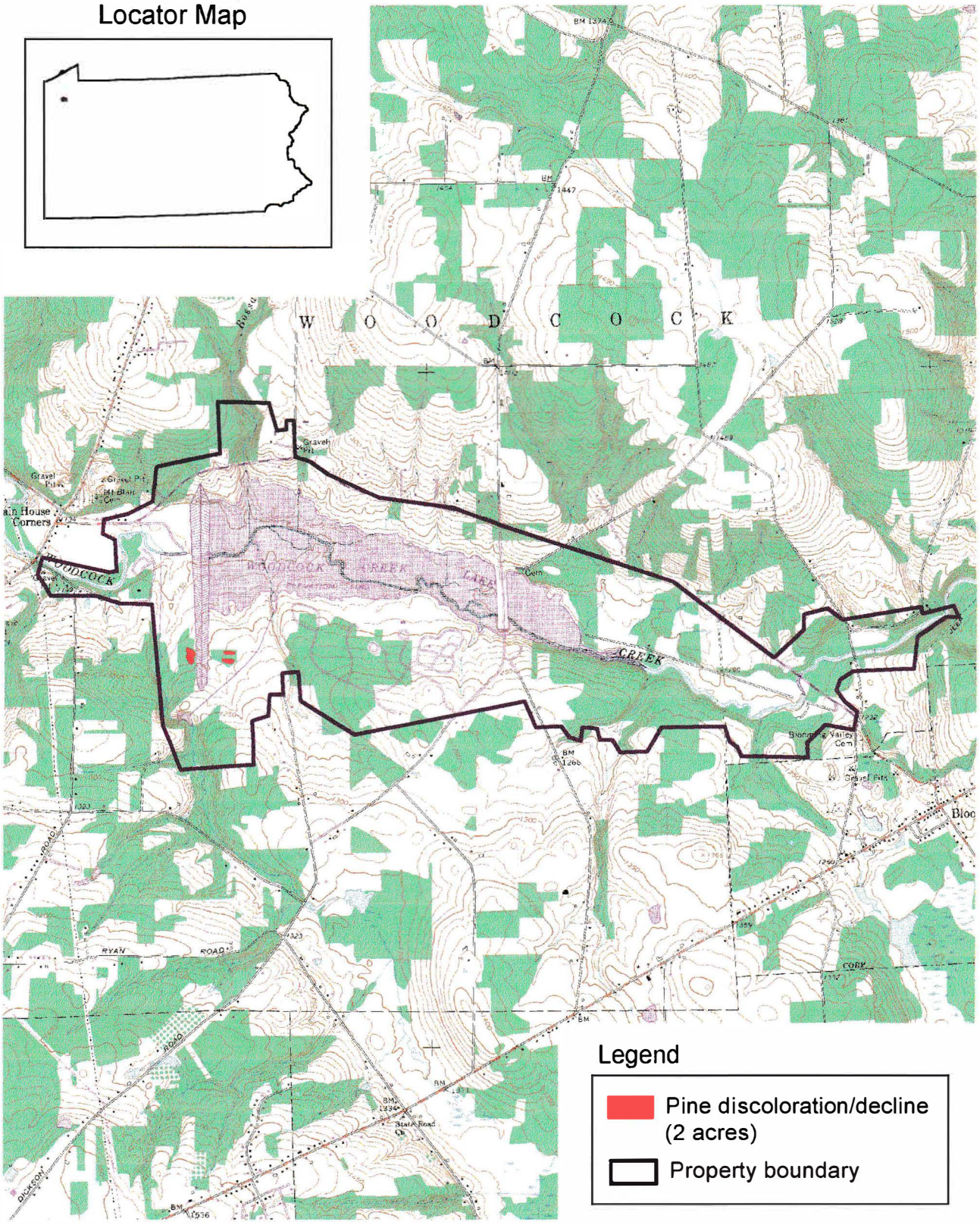
Figure 4. -- Aerial detection survey results at Woodcock Creek Lake June 23, 1999.



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